GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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EXPLORATION OF OIL/GAS IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan for the exploration of oil and gas in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c): For better understanding of the subsurface geology, speculative seismic surveys have been planned by Directorate General of Hydrocarbons in Bihar. As a part of its Research and Development(R&D) programme, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited have so far drilled four R&D wells for Coal Bed Methane exploration and also propose to drill some more locations in Bihar.